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## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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GROUP A  
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2829

INVENTION

LOW K DIELECTRIC COMPOSITE LAYER FOR INTEGRATED CIRCUIT  
STRUCTURE WHICH PROVIDES VOID-FREE LOW K DIELECTRIC MATERIAL  
BETWEEN METAL LINES WHILE MITIGATING VIA POISONING

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS:

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 -  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 2829

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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	5		20		0
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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					

## SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDIT. FEE
x \$ 9 =	\$
x \$ 42 =	\$
+ \$140 =	\$
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	\$

OTHER THAN A  
SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDIT. FEE
x \$ 18 =	\$ 0
x \$ 84 =	\$ 0
+ \$280 =	\$ 0
TOTAL	\$ 0

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